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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : William Butler Cowden et al.
Application No. : 09/142,597
Filed : September 10, 1998
For : USE OF COXIELLA BACTERIA TO TREAT
AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE

Examiner : S. Devi, Ph.D.
Art Unit : 1641
Docket No. : 120081.403
Date : May 5, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

GENERAL AUTHORIZATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

With respect to the above-identified application, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for its timely submission as incorporating a petition therefor for the appropriate length of time. The Assistant Commissioner is also authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

Respectfully submitted,

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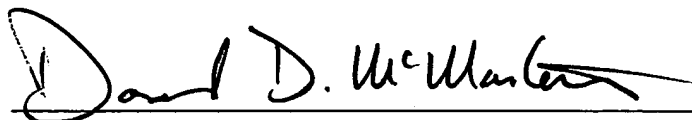
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APPOINTMENT OF ASSOCIATE POWER OF ATTORNEY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

I, David D. McMasters, attorney of record in the above-identified application, appoint as associate attorney William T. Christiansen, Ph.D., Registration No. 44,614, of the firm of Seed Intellectual Property Law Group PLLC, 701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 6300, Seattle, Washington 98104-7092.

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